



"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place," Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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Lord, Teach Us To Pray

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"And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples." Luke 11:1.

As this disciple beheld his Lord he desired to act or be as his Lord, which should be the cry of each child of God today. Jesus' first answer was a simple, plain outline of prayer which covers every phase of prayer today. Whether it be long or short each prayer should be prayed within the bounds of this prayer. Secondly, Jesus' answer taught a lesson of persistence and the importunity of prayer. Read Luke 11:1-13 which gives the full story. We should be as persistent in prayer as the man who obtained three loaves from his neighbor—stay before God till we get what we need for His glory.

On another occasion Jesus said, "Men ought always to pray, and not to faint." Luke 18:1. In this lesson on prayer He also continues with an illustration of persistence or importunity by giving the parable of the widow who continually went before the judge until she was avenged of her adversary. This was an unjust judge. "Shall not God avenge his own elect which cry day and night unto him, though he bear long with them?" Luke 18:8. Do we cry day and night unto Him? Do we lose any sleep at night to cry unto Him? Does the adversary

of our souls oppress us till we must flee to Him for refuge? Do we realize that our adversary is seeking our souls, but as a roaring lion and as an angel of light? Do you spend much time in prayer for lost souls and for the preservation of your soul, or are you overtaken with the cares of this life? O God, give your people a vision of the things that are coming in on this world. My heart cries out with Jeremiah oftentimes when he said, "Oh, that my head were water and mine eyes a fountain of tears, that I might weep day and night for the slain of the daughter of my people." Jer. 9:1. No doubt this has a greater significance than the way I apply it but this has been the cry of my heart for several months as I see people who have been powers for God, now slain by the opposing forces of hell, and Satan still working, the Spirit still saying, "I must have a tried people, those who can come forth as gold." Will we make it through without persistence in prayer?

I see the need of holding on to God in prayer as never before. So many pitfalls, so many snares, so many temptations await all the children of God. So many seducing and compromising spirits are in the land. It breaks our hearts as we see this everywhere we go. People of God are selling out their eternal hopes for the pleasures of home, coveting this world's vain riches instead of seeking first the

kingdom of God and His righteousness. Why not tarry before God till He comes to our rescue? He has promised to go with us always, why not trust Him now? Do not give up in the first prayer but, like Elijah of old, keep knocking till God does something. Continue to seek till you find something—strength, glory, power, and victory from the glory world. Oh, hallelujah! No need of shrinking in your Christian experience when God has a bountiful supply of everything we need to make it through in His great storehouse, just ready to hand out to us; but too many of us fail to pray through the doubts, unbelief, and any other obstacles Satan may throw in our path when we attempt to reach the great heart of God.

Dear ones, the only way to make it through to heaven is to pull through the dark places here. Oh, glory! To every cross there is a crown, to every trial there awaits great joy, to every cloud there is a silver lining. "They that wait on the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; and they shall walk and not faint." Isa. 40:31. Oh, how true, when one prays through all the oppositions of hell that have been turned loose upon us. This can be done every day. The joy of the Lord is our strength. Don't misunderstand me.

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Notices

The Church of God at Mallory, W. Va. will have home coming September 26 with all-day service and dinner on the ground. We extend a special invitation to the pastors and churches of adjoining districts to be with us.—Bunn E. Hicks, pastor.

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Everybody is invited to a home coming on September 19. Come with a well-filled basket to the new Church of God at this place. Pray much for that day.—A brother in Christ, Columbus F. Barrett, 1510 Range St., Selma, Ala.

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I take this opportunity to express to my friends my appreciation for their encouraging words and many prayers during my illness. The many letters I received from the Texas camp meeting were a source of inspiration and strength to me. The Lord has graciously smiled upon me and I am able to be up. I appreciate your prayers so much.—Ora Mae Ruff, Mobeetie, Tex.

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The Columbus, Ga. district convention will convene at Columbus, Ga. Friday 7:30 p. m., Sept. 10-12. There will be dinner on the ground Saturday at noon. J. C. Jernigan, state overseer, will be with us. All neighboring churches are invited.—A. H. Batts, district pastor, 4105 Holly Ave., Columbus, Ga.

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To whom it may concern: This is to notify you that Mrs. W. B. Wright is no longer clerk of the Church of God at Chilhowie, Va. as she moved away. Brother J. B. Moore has been appointed clerk for 1937-38, whose address is Route 4, Marion, Va.—B. M. Woolwine, district overseer, Box 362, Marion, Va.

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The Covered Wagon Gospel Workers will be on their way to the Assembly from Bayard, W. Va. Any church on the route which would like to have us stop over and give you one or more nights' service with our band, drop us a card at once for a date. W. I. Bass, violin, bass singer; Mrs. W. I. Bass, guitar, alto; Miss Myron Bass, mandolin; Raymond Callahan, guitar, tenor; Prof. W. H. Ward, mandolin, soprano.—W. I. Bass, in charge, Bayard, W. Va.

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To all the churches on the Anderson,

S. C. district: Brother Carl Hanvey will have charge of the Y. P. E. work on the district until the Assembly. He will visit each church before the Assembly. Y. P. E's, please co-operate with him in every way. Also please help him with his expenses when he visits your Y. P. E.—C. F. Grant, state Y. P. E. superintendent of South Carolina.

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The Huntington, W. Va. district home coming is to be held in the new Church of God building at Highlawn St., Albans, W. Va., Sept. 26, fourth Sunday in the month. Services will begin at 10:00 a. m., closing afternoon session at 4:00 p. m. A basket dinner will be served on the grounds. We welcome neighboring laymen and ministers.—M. M. Mortenson, district pastor, W. M. Dunn, pastor at St. Albans.

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To the church and pastors in Alabama: Each church that wishes to ask for a pastor may do so. Each member write the name of the minister you desire for pastor on a slip of paper and give it to the clerk. Clerks, please mail to me with your report the first of October. — G. C. Dunn, Sumiton, Ala.

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To the Churches of God in Missouri, greetings in Jesus' name. The General Assembly will convene soon and of course you want your pastor to be there, don't you? All right then, every member take this matter up at once and get an offering together to help your pastor on his expense. See that he has sufficient clothing, also money to pay his expenses. That will make him feel good, and you too, if you love the Lord and His cause, and will entitle you to the blessings of the Lord. Please don't anyone neglect this all important matter.—Yours faithfully, H. N. Scoggins, overseer of Missouri.

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I am ready now for revival work. Anyone wanting a revival, I am at your service anytime. Write me and let me know at an early date.—Jim Hall, Strawn, Texas.

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There will be an all-day meeting at the tent at East Bank, W. Va. Sunday, Sept. 12.—Don Staten, in charge.

REQUEST

Please pray a special prayer for me and my home that I will be healed and that my home will be a shining light for Jesus. I have been sick in my body for seven years, so please pray a special prayer. Also pray that I may stay humble.—A sister in Christ, Trion, Ga.

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Band of Saints Willing to Work

HARRISBURG, Ill.—Dear readers, as I write this report I can feel the love of Jesus running through my soul. I praise the Lord for His wonderful power and the Church of God.

I praise the Lord for the little church at Equality, Ill. that is climbing back to His blessed heights. The Lord has blessed us with a new church building, when before they were from pillar to post, worshipping anywhere they could find a place. I am glad Jesus looks down on the poor as well as the rich. Thank God. I praise the Lord for the band of saints there who are so willing to help. We have a fine Sunday School. The building is being finished inside now.

We covet the prayers of the saints that the Lord's blessing may be upon the Church of God. We invite the saints everywhere to give us a visit. May the Lord bless you is my prayer.—V. L. Sittig, pastor, 11 E. Sloan St.

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RADIO BROADCASTS

If a change in your broadcast has been made please notify us.

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WMFD—Wilmington, N. C., 1370 kilocycles, each Sunday from 5:00 to 5:30 p. m. E.S.T. H. T. Durden, pastor.

WWNC—A. V. Childers, pastor, Biltmore, N. C., D. B. Yow, pastor, W. Asheville, N. C. Thursday, 5:00-5:30 p. m.

WEBQ—Harrisburg, Ill., 1210 kilocycles, Monday, 3:00 to 3:45 p. m. J. R. Thomas, overseer.

WSOC—Charlotte, N. C., 210 kilocycles, Sunday, 4:30 p. m.; Thursday, 3:15 p. m. W. T. Nelson, pastor.

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WAIM—Anderson, S. C., 2:00 p. m. to 2:45 p. m. each Saturday. J. C. Childers, pastor.

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Cumberland, Md., each Saturday at 3:45 p. m., C. of G. Y. P. E. Siring Band. W. I. Bass, pastor, Bayard, W. Va.

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WSAZ—Huntington, W. Va., 1190 kilocycles, each Wednesday from 4:00 to 4:30 p. m. M. M. Mortenson, pastor.

WOPI—Bristol, Tenn., each Saturday from 7:30 to 8:00 p. m., E.S.T. 1500 kilocycles. R. C. Cook, pastor.

WATL—Atlanta, Ga., each Sunday 3:45 to 4:15 p. m., C. S. T., 1370 kilocycles. To be increased soon to 500 watts, U. D. Tidwell, pastor.

God's Call To The Sleeper

D. W. MILLS

"Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light." Eph. 5:14.

Various are the Scriptures similar employed to describe the state of the sinner. He is represented as an alien, a rebel, an outcast, a captive. He is also described as being diseased, blind, wretched and lost, being deceived and perishing. Our text describes him as asleep and dead.

Let's consider the sinner's awful state. First, sleep in a state of deadness. The Spirit designs the sleep as the sleep of death. This deadly sleep is characterized by the following symptoms:

It is a state of DARKNESS, all the organs of visions are closed. There may be rays of light and beauties of nature on every side but not seen. Such is the condition of the soul in a state of darkness, without true and saving knowledge of a Savior, then ignorant of himself and of God and of the things that belong to his peace. He has the capacity, and there is the revelation, the light of gospel shining, but yet the man asleep sits in darkness and the shadow of death.

Second, the man asleep is in a state of INSENSIBILITY. Asleep, the person hears not, neither enjoys anything; he is dead temporarily to all that is around him. Such is the state of a sinner. He hearkens not to God, he does not enjoy God, a thousand blessings may be near him but he has no taste or desire for them.

Third, sleep is a state of INACTIVITY. Asleep, all the limbs are at ease, no desires formed, no plans laid out, no work effected. Such is the state of the sinner, as to all spiritual labor. He labors not for the bread of life, he agonizes not for his crown, he strives not for the goal, he does not work out his salvation, he flees not from the wrath of God, he walks not in the way of holiness, he prepares not to meet God.

Fourth, this sleep is a state of ILLUSIONS. A state of sin is like illusive dreams. A man may be afflicted with the plague of sin and dream of health, the poverty-stricken dream of riches, the debased dream of dignities, the wretched dream of bliss and joy, condemned and in the way of ruin yet dream of years to come. Such a pitiful state to be in!

Fifth, sleep is a state of PERILS. A man who is asleep is no longer able to defend or watch for himself. How often the murderers go in and shed the innocent blood of those who are asleep. Thus they sleep their way into eternity from accidents, storms and fire, also from di-

sease and sudden death. So the sinner is exposed to the displeasures of God like Belshazzar in the fifth chapter of Daniel, while he was feasting with a thousand of his lords. Thus, while the rich fool was preparing for himself, God called unto him as in Luke 12:16-20. As it was with Herod when he was living a defiled life with his brother Philip's wife.

GOD'S GRACIOUS CALL

It is GOD speaking in the text. He speaks in mercy with a view to our salvation, not as He speaks at the last day when His voice will awake the dead.

First, GOD speaks by various circumstances and events in life, often by adversities, by afflictions, by the loss of some loved one, by advice, or example of some friend.

Second, GOD calls by the Word, written and preached, by reading or hearing read. How it describes our state as in Rom. 7:24. "Oh wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?" How the Word calls to repentance, urges salvation. The minister goes forth with his message to arouse and to exhort. Have you not been called many times in this respect? God calls by moving upon the conscience. Who has not felt the inward conviction, inward rebuke, inward warning?

God calls men to awake, shake themselves, arouse, exercise power. As the prophet has said, "Thus saith the Lord, Consider your ways." He calls them to forsake the position and also the company of the dead.

Praise God for Power to Help Us

FREDERICKTOWN, Mo. — Dear readers, I praise God this morning for power to keep us in all kinds of trouble, accident, or sickness. I also thank Him for a good head of hair that has never been cut off, for I believe it helped to keep my skull from cracking in an accident which we had.

One night as my sister and I were returning home from church the lights went out on our car. It was dark. I stepped down on the pavement to try to keep the cars from running into us, as the traffic was thick. The car was rolling backward and knocked me flat on my back, my head hit the concrete with terrific force. It almost jerked my head off, it seemed. I kept trusting God to heal me. I am lots better but not completely over the fall. All pray God to complete the healing.

Some one said, "Sister, I wish I didn't

quench the Spirit and could be free like you." Dear ones, maybe you don't quench the Spirit, maybe the channel is choked up that the Spirit works through. Bring all those old dirty deeds to the light and show up everything the devil got you to do while you were in sin and then you won't have to dodge when they preach to you or at you. When the preacher shows me up by preaching the good Word of God to me I want to walk just a little closer to God. Glory, I feel the fire burning in my soul. Come on, dear ones, let's make the run for glory.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Julia Lachance.

We Need To Be At Our Best For God

MILLWAY, Pa.—An all-day meeting was held at Getz's Grove Sunday, Aug. 1. From the very beginning the very presence of God could be felt. In the morning short messages were given by local brethren from the Ephrata church. In the afternoon folks gathered from Reamstown and Reading. Our district pastor, Brother Henry C. Stoppe, gave us a wonderful message and I'm sure such sermons as these are much needed today. Yes, it's high time to wake up to our duty, so we can be at our best for God.

At 7:00 p. m. we gathered for Y. P. E. which was in charge of the writer. I believe this was one of the best ever had in this community. Everyone seemed to take such good interest. Though we are small in number, if we are faithful some happy day we'll receive that crown that fadeth not away. At 8:00 p. m. a message was given us by Brother A. R. Martin, pastor at Ephrata. The congregation sat spellbound as it listened to the Word of God being expounded. This is the beginning of what we hope and pray will be one of the best revivals this community has ever known. The folks here are afraid of holiness and claim it's impossible to live holiness. Again, we covet your earnest prayers.—Eva E. Martin, clerk.

He is a Wonderful Savior

DUNLAP, Tenn.—I thank and praise my Redeemer for healing me when I had a serious attack of indigestion. Sister Marie Blankenship laid her hands on my body and prayed. I was very sick and began to think perhaps the Lord was going to take me. I praise Him for His love for me and all I have from Him. I love Him this evening with all my heart. I want to do His will. Sister Marie is a wonderful worker for the Lord, and above all He is a most wonderful Savior. I trust the Lord with my body. Pray for me that I'll be true until He comes or calls for me. Pray for my lost children.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. D. B. Hatfield.

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ARE YOU DISCOURAGED?

Look to Jesus

Surely we are in the closing days of this age and Jesus will soon come. We are in a warfare with the adversary of our souls and it seems sometimes that we are tried to the very limit, but thank the Lord, there is one sweet consolation at a time like this and that is, "There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it," 1 Cor. 10:13. He has promised that He will not let us be tempted above that we are able to bear but will go with us always. He loves us, even enough to give His life for us, "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends," John 15:13. He is one that never changes but we can depend on Him at all times. No hour of the night is so dark, no day is so long, no battle so hard, but what He is by our side to comfort and strengthen us in just the way we need help.

When He was fixing to leave His followers and go back to heaven, He said, "I will not leave you comfortless; I will come to you." The precious Holy Ghost is here to guide and direct us every day, and comfort us when the way seems almost too hard. Our souls long for sweet rest and peace that is found only in Jesus. Oh, the sweet name of Jesus, precious above every name. We can call on Him and know He cares, is able, and willing to help those who come unto Him, trusting, meeting conditions, obeying His commandments. In fact, He has promised us, "If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it," John 14:14. Isn't it wonderful to know we can trust Him! He never tires of us coming to Him. In His Word we are taught to pray without ceasing and there is no relief

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like talking to our blessed Savior. When everybody else fails to understand, Jesus understands. If it were not for Jesus what would we do?

For the soul yet unsaved He offers sweet rest and peace if he will only come and accept Him. For His own children there is peace, comfort and rest. If you are a Christian and have had some real hard battles to fight, some real hard places to go through, you know what I am talking about when I mention stealing away in your closet or getting alone with God somewhere and pouring out your very heart to Him. When you are really in earnest it seems that you can just lift your very soul up to Him in prayer and feel His power and presence so real around you that you are not afraid to rely on Him. He gives you renewed courage to press on and be faithful and true until He says it is enough, come up higher. I am sure when we get inside the beautiful gates we will be glad that we stood true and didn't yield to the temptations of this old world and didn't give up when the battle was hard. It will be worth everything. This life is short and our trials will soon be over, but eternity is long. If we gain this whole world and lose our souls what has it profited us?

If you are one who is going through a severe trial, if you feel that everybody has turned against you, that no one cares, friends are few, the way almost too hard and rugged, just go to Jesus. Lay your burdens at His feet. He loves you, He cares, He will help you. He knows how, He knows our weaknesses, He knows our needs. His grace is sufficient. Thank God for a friend like Jesus, a friend that sticketh closer than a brother. Prov. 18:24. Dear one, don't give up now. Eternity is too long. Don't risk your soul for a little pleasure in this life. God will help you. He will not turn you away. If your heart is honest, He knows it. We may have to suffer some, but Jesus suffered for us and He said if we suffered

with Him we should reign with Him.

The world is so full of evil today. It seems that there is hardly anything else that could happen. Surely Jesus will come before long and catch His faithful children away, out of the troubles of this life. I want to be among the number, don't you? We can if we will. If we go down it will be our fault. Of course none of us ever get to the place that we don't need encouragement and help, and remember Jesus works through us to comfort and help others.

Cast Our Lot With the Church of God

OMAHA, Nebr.—Dear Evangel family, I have been pastoring a Pentecostal Church of God here for sometime. I became acquainted with Brother James Cross, state overseer of the Church of God, and found him to be a real man of God. After much prayer and meditation I decided to come into the Church of God. Upon notifying my board as to what I was doing, they too unanimously voted to affiliate the church with the Church of God, so we united our church with the few members in the Church of God which had had no services here for sometime, but now the two churches have become one and a wonderful spirit of fellowship is prevailing.

We found Brother Cross to be a real worker for the Church and hope he will come back as overseer of Nebraska another year. This is a hard and needy field and we need real men of God who mean business.

We are happy to be members of the Church and the Evangel family. Any good evangelist coming this way will find an open door.—H. D. Morton, pastor, 521 N. 21st Ave.

Good State Meeting

DRUMRIGHT, Okla.—Dear saints, our state meeting has come and gone. It was a wonderful one. The Lord was there. Praise His name. And Brother Johnson surely preached a wonderful sermon. Praise the Lord for such wonderful ministers and for the co-operation and the sweet fellowship one to another. Matt. 5:16 says let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven. Our state overseer preached some good sermons and his good wife made some wonderful talks. We have been praying for the Lord to send us a God-called, Holy Ghost preacher to Drumright. We have no church here, we have two lots and they are paid for. Pray for my husband, my son and me that we will always be working for the Lord.—Ella Standley, 313 S. Virginia Ave.

The PERRY-SCOPE

TREASURES—NEW AND OLD FROM FAR AND NEAR

Conducted by Sam C. Perry

World Evangelism

Jesus said, "Go ye into all the world." This is our charge. How do we accept it today?

If we had constituted the early Church, perhaps we would have had a committee appointed from among our most capable and influential men, and from them we would have expected plans for carrying forward our great task. The responsibility of ordering and directing the work would have been upon them. Finally their recommendations would have been presented. Of course these who have this responsibility upon them should be men full of the Holy Ghost, and who feel the urgency of this work, whether the congregations under them feel so or not. Certainly the Lord's great plan could not be carried out but in His own prescribed way. None but scriptural order and methods could be adopted.

1. They would recommend only such men as are fully trained and duly qualified for the service before them.

2. The methods to be used in such a great undertaking should be selected with great wisdom and care.

3. All active workers should be invested with full authority and be able to perform all of the duties of their ministry in an acceptable manner.

4. They should be men who love the Lord Jesus Christ and His cause devotedly, and possess a pure, unselfish, enthusiastic motive in service.

Such a program would be accepted by all, nothing in that that any good minister or Christian should refuse.

But would such a program assure success? Is success to be measured by methods, system, teaching, and mere goodness and good intentions? If so, then, the early Church had more of this to start with than we can ever hope to have, with the Master Teacher and Master of all authority and ceremonies present with them.

Here are men, called, commissioned, authorized; ordained by the Lord Jesus Himself, the great Head of the Church. Yet Jesus says they must "wait." Apostles, bishops, ministers, yet their positions nor titles avail them anything. If there is no more than this they must sit still, for they can do nothing. "Wait," says Jesus, and from day to day did they wait, although so well trained and qualified by their great Leader. They tarried at Jerusalem. "Ye shall receive power."

No advantage, or wisdom, or any authority could give it. "Ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." Authority, training, method and motive may be worth much if men have received "power from on high," but all these count for nothing without the power of the Holy Ghost.

Now, "filled with the Holy Ghost," the whole church, the apostles and all, equally responsible, go forth to their great task, equal to any situation.

They are, themselves, transformed.

They are empowered.

They are taught.

They are protected.

They have all needs provided.

They have guidance, and are directed in all of their activities.

And all of this through the coming and abiding presence of their newly appointed Executive, the blessed Holy Ghost. This was the key to the success of the early Church. It is our only means of carrying on today. It is "tarry until" then "go." The responsibility is equally upon those who go and those who "tarry by the stuff."

"Having eyes, see ye not?"—Jesus. No man is more fatally blind than the man who cannot see his own faults and failures.

"According to your faith be it unto you," Matt. 9:29.

No faith, no blessing.

Little faith, little blessing.

More faith, more blessing.

Great faith, unusual blessing.

Continued faith, continued blessing.

Growth in faith, growth in grace.

For us and for our redemption God spared not to give heaven's brightest jewel; how poor our returns if we give Him our little all.

God says, "Be ye holy." What we are will determine what we shall do each day. A good tree, not an evil one, will bear good fruit.

"A drop of the concentrated solution of nicotine is sufficient to kill a calf or a large dog. A small amount of tobacco spit from the mouth of a tobacco chewer put into the mouth of a snake will kill it in a few minutes."—Dr. H. H. Drake.

The tobacco smoker is slowly, yet sure-

ly committing suicide."—Dr. Kress.

It is the appalling statement made by college officials that 20,000 persons die annually in France from tobacco poisoning, according to Dr. Lauden of France.

It is estimated that America's tobacco bill runs near to \$3,000,000,000 annually—this amount spent for tobacco only, besides the impaired health, funeral expenses, etc.

It has been declared on good authority that from a physical, moral and spiritual standpoint, tobacco is the worst enemy of humanity.

A prominent medical doctor says, "Don't be fooled, always remember that the tendency of tobacco is to destroy . . . what a shock people would get if they went through cemeteries and saw tombstones declaring the fact that this man died of typhoid made fatal by a tobacco-weakened heart, and that man succumbed to nervous prostration because tobacco had shot his nerves to pieces and another one gave up the ghost because tobacco had ruined his stomach."

"Sir, we would see Jesus," John 12:21. This is a great prayer. To thus pray is to set your face heavenward, to have it answered is to have heaven's joys.

We have only to believe, pray, and obey, as God's will is revealed to us through His Word, and the growth of the soul in grace will go on. A plant grows in the sunshine or in the shadows, so does the soul.

A plainsman journeys from Samaria. On the dusty road he finds a man in trouble. He dismounts and does all he can to help him and goes on his way again. Is this not the daily service pictured for all of us?

THE FAULTS OF THE CHURCH

The preacher, the deacons, the Sunday School workers, and the members may all have a long list of faults. But it is at the church I hear the Word of God, I find the spirit of true worship, I get a blessing for my own heart. The best people in the land will be there next Sunday morning. And as for me and my family, we will be there too.

True religion is the best armor in the world but the poorest cloak.

It takes a lot of energy to make up for bad judgment.

ORDER YOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL LITERATURE NOW—it will help us more than you think . . . Help us avoid the Assembly rush!

God Alone Could Help

ROCKY MOUNT, N. C. — Dear saints of the Church of God, I feel that it would be good if I sounded a note of praise to God for His blessings to me. We all realize that mere words cannot fully tell of God's goodness and love towards us, but we are under obligation to try.

First of all I praise God for a praying mother. Truly if it had not been for her prayers continually before the Lord in my behalf I would have been in eternity without hope years ago. Thank God, tonight finds mother's prayers answered after so long a time and I in the good way of holiness on my way to heaven.

After years of living in sin, after wrecking my home, after breaking the hearts of those who love me best, after ruining my chance of any earthly happiness, I became tired and weary of the world and all it contained. I needed help and no one could render aid. God alone could help me. The sweet voice of Jesus began to talk to my heart. I dreaded to make the start, but realized my only hope lay in Jesus Christ, our Lord. I began to read one of Brother Rouse's books written on his life. The more I read, the more convicted I became. I did so dread to confess to those I knew that I wanted to be saved. I dreaded the criticism and to make the restitution that lay upon my heart.

One day while reading and thinking, sometimes singing, I began to hum a song, that when the words came to me was, "Let Jesus Fix it For You." Oh, how I needed Jesus to fix so many things for me. I needed Him to adjust so many things that sin had caused to be as they were. Jesus spoke to me so sweetly, so plainly, and repeated those words, "Let Jesus fix it for you." I said in my mind and heart, "Yes, Lord, I'm coming home." Right there He promised me that in exchange for my heart, my mind, my time, I would receive a readjustment of my life under the guidance of the Holy Ghost. I began to obey God and the Fourth of July, 1936 He saved and sanctified me. The first of the month of November I received the Holy Ghost. Praise God! I came into the Church of God the last of November.

It has been almost a year since I was received into the church and it already has been a year since God rolled the burden of sin away and spoke peace to my heart and soul. The promise to me has partly been fulfilled and the other is to come. I'll have to wait for it because God told me so. I don't doubt Him in the least though, I know that in His own good time all will be well, and in the meantime I shall be tried with fire and I do so desire to come out as pure gold. I want to prove worthy when the appointed time arrives. I need your prayers,

beloved saints. I determined within my own mind before God saved me that I was going all the way, nevertheless, I need your prayers. There are times that the enemy of our souls asks us, "What are you getting out of living right?" Seemingly, we don't get so much but in due season we shall reap if we faint not. God says so. I know there is nothing to look back to in this world. There is nothing I left behind to care to return to anyway. I enjoy this salvation that God has given me. I feel so unworthy of God's tender mercies and boundless love. I am glad that now I love the Lord with all my heart.

I love the Church of God. I am glad that I really see the Church. Nothing in the world is like it to me. I feel at home there and I am at home. Praise God! I have stopped feeding the swine and have returned unto my father's house.

I would not close without mentioning the names of our pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister Glen Houck, for I love them. I believe truly that Brother Houck is a man of God. I feel burdened for them at times but there is nothing I can do for them, but pray. I enjoy our pastor's sermons. When I get hit, I just climb up on a higher limb. They are consecrated people and he is capable of delivering messages that we feel and know to be inspired by the Holy Ghost.

There is another one I would like to mention, Sister Elizabeth Sykes. She is an inspiration to other young people, if they will only linger long enough to catch a vision of young womanhood with God's approval upon it. If we could only visualize when we are young what it means to live for the Lord, so much could be avoided that brings heartaches and pain. But we never know that until experience teaches us and experience is a dear school I have learned. We love Sister Sykes. She is to be admired by all who are acquainted with her. Our church contains others worthy of admiration too. The above we mentioned first because they were so much on our heart.

Pray for mother and me. She has so many burdens. God alone knows just how much she has stood the past few years. Our church desires your prayers, I'm sure, that we may be one of the best, and as for me, I always need prayer. I am so near nothing. Surely God loves beyond all others to do for anyone the many things He has done for me. I praise His name for every blessing and most of all for the peace and joy in my soul right now.

At this time I must give God glory for removing a severe pain in my right side. I have never before praised Him for this and I need to do it. I was alone at the time and lay down, thinking the pain would soon cease. An Evangel paper was laying near and the thought came to me

to lay it on my body in the name of Jesus. I did so, and the pain was gone instantly. It was the first time I ever felt the virtue of His healing power but it was real. I need everyone's prayers that I might step out on God's promises for divine healing. I believe it to be a duty as well as a privilege to trust the Lord for every suffering. Even at that we can bear no more than Jesus did for us. I want to live more like Jesus that I might be able to endure sufferings more gracefully. We suffer so little in exchange for God's goodness to us.

Praise God, I am in this good way. I enjoy my salvation and am trusting in God to deliver me, even as He did the people of Israel. He has just as much power now as then. I don't doubt it in the least. Always pray for me.—Yours for Christ's sake, Mary Farmer.

Enjoying Old-Time Salvation

NOKOMIS, Fla.—Dear brother and sisters in Christ Jesus, I praise the Lord for the healing of my body. This afternoon finds me in good health and enjoying good, old-time salvation. I was healed of ulcerated stomach, pus of the kidney, bad lungs and bronchial trouble. I couldn't even walk a half mile. Now I can walk anywhere. I have gained twelve pounds since I have been healed. My body was afflicted because I wouldn't obey the Lord for years, but praise God, I am obeying His voice now.

The Lord sent me to Nokomis for a revival. I have spent most of my time at Sister Curry's. She laid hands on me and prayed, asking God to heal me, and God has wonderfully healed me. I hope God will get glory from my testimony and pray that some poor suffering soul and body will be saved and healed.

Pray that I will always stand true. Also pray for Sister Carl Curry that she will get closer to God. Pray for her husband to be saved. Also pray for my wife that she will get salvation.—A brother in Christ, Joe Tison, 326 Jane St., Tampa, Fla.

GO TO HIM IN FAITH BELIEVING

S. JACKSONVILLE, Fla.—I praise the Lord for what He means to me. I did some house cleaning and lifted some things that were too heavy and strained my back. I could hardly live, had to stay in bed with a pillow to my back to get relief. I wrote two of the sisters requesting prayer, and I prayed and cried and told the Lord if He would heal me I would testify to it. Praise the Lord, I started getting better from that very hour. He will hear us if we go to Him in faith believing. Pray for me that I will ever stand true and be ready to go when He comes or calls.—A sister in Christ, Eva Brown.

Bible School Echoes

Glad For Bible Training School

I thank God for being under the precious blood of Jesus. I am converted from my many sins, sanctified wholly and the Holy Ghost is daily abiding in my soul with a yearning zeal to know more about Him each day. I request the prayers of the righteous.

Words cannot express how I appreciate the opportunity of attending B. T. S. and associating with the Christian student body and being taught by a Holy Ghost-filled teacher. I praise God for a wonderful superintendent like Bishop George A. Wallace. He is a very good teacher, he never gets impatient with the students and he is always willing to help us when our lessons seem hard. I don't believe we can find a teacher better than he. Really he is a man of God, he stands for God's Word rightly divided. I am sure all the students agree with me when I say we all love him.

I am made to wonder what would be the condition of the world today if the many student bodies were taught the true value of the Bible and the essence of prayer. I am sure there would be a different aim in life and a different condition throughout the land, especially on the part of the young people.

We thank God that He set it in the heart of His men to open such a school as this, where we can study the Word of God and be better equipped for the work in His great harvest field.

We also thank God for our consecrated superintendent and students who have done their very best to make the school such as it is. Our school term ran six weeks and at the end of the term the students were so enthused over their studies until they wished that the term was much longer, but since it is so that conditions would not allow us to be in school always, we had to separate and return to our different homes.

We had a very splendid program at the school closing on June 28, which was enjoyed by all who were there. Many went away with an enthused mind to attend school next term. As we leave B. T. S. our aim is to be real "trail blazers" for Jesus in this dark and sinful world that souls who are lost may find their way to Calvary.

To all who read this, remember the B. T. S. in your prayers that it may continue to grow.—Miss Celestina Tyms, (colored) Box 16, Boca Raton, Fla.

McDowell Dist. Sunday School and Y. P. E. Convention

A very successful Sunday School and Y. P. E. convention convened at the Eckman, W. Va. Church of God, July 25, with our state superintendent of Sunday School, Brother T. F. Blackwell, and district superintendent of Sunday School and Y. P. E., Brother Alton McNeil, in charge.

Service opened Sunday morning with songs and prayer after which the welcome address was given by the pastor of the local church, Brother T. F. Blackwell. Following was the response by Floyd Henkle of War, Ruby Little of Wilcoe and Clarence Simmons of Pulaski. The remainder of the morning service was devoted to Sunday School interest. Each Sunday School on the district was well represented and gave good reports. Most of the Sunday Schools gave short programs which were very interesting and enjoyed by all present.

The afternoon service opened with the usual song and prayer service. This service was given to the Y. P. E. Each Y. P. E. on the district was well represented and gave a good report of the work in their church. Many very interesting and inspiring programs were presented by the Y. P. E.'s throughout the district. Following the programs Brother G. G. Williams of War gave a short talk on Y. P. E. Interest. The convention closed with a short talk by Brother Blackwell.

This convention was better felt than told. God was with us throughout the day and wonderfully blessed. I am sure everyone returned home with a new zeal in his soul to do his best for God. We covet your prayers for our future success in Sunday School and Y. P. E. work.—Miss Gladys Shatley, clerk of convention, Wilcoe, W. Va.

Called into the Work

Dear readers, a number of years ago I promised God I would go back to my old home and tell those people what God had done for me, though I kept putting it off, for I was afraid of criticism, did not want to be persecuted. But I want you to know I got prayed up and got to the place where I could say, "Not my will, but thine; here I am, Lord, send me." This thing had worried me for a number of years as I would put it off. But last year at the Assembly when they sang, "I'll Be Somewhere Working," I said, "Lord, I'll go."

Sister Mary Simpson, who was known and loved by many, was standing near me. I turned and told her what I had to do. She patted me on the back and said, "Now, Sister Ola Mae, don't let that get away from you." I asked her if she would

go and she promised me she would go with me, but it wasn't long until God called her home. Every time I thought of going those words rang in my ears, "Don't let that get away from you," and I could look up and see her smiling down from glory and feel the stroke of that precious arm as it caressed me. I couldn't put it off any longer.

A friend and brother gave me the name of the nearest Church of God preacher at this place, so I wrote to Brother and Sister Stone of Childersburg, Ala. and told them what I had to do. That very day they found a place to hold a meeting. Sister Dave Simpson of Empire, Ala. went down there with me. God blessed in the meeting, the altar was full every night. Several were saved, seven sanctified and two filled with the Holy Ghost. The altar was full when they asked Brother Stone to close for the Baptist meeting. Those people are hungry for God's Word, the field is white unto harvest but the laborers are few. Please pray for this place. Brother Stone is a man of God, I know, and has a loving wife to help him, and those dear girls, how they can sing!

The night we left there those big-hearted sinners asked us to pray for them as they told us good-bye. Brother, sister, if you will obey God He will bless your soul.

I had a letter from an old friend of mine since this meeting asking for prayer for more light. She is Baptist and says they are not having success in their meetings like Brother Stone had in his. Pray for this friend and this place. Sister Simpson made many friends while there, she taught God's Word in many homes. Please pray for us.—A sister in Christ, Ola Mae Wallace, Dora Ala.

Feasted on the Goodness of God

The Blacksburg, S. C. district Y. P. E. convention proved a great success. Our state superintendent, Brother C. F. Grant, had charge of the service. We had a large attendance throughout the day. People from different parts of the state were present, also visitors from North Carolina and the Texas trio. Among those present was Brother T. C. Franklin, state Y. P. E. superintendent of North Carolina. We were indeed glad to have him. Well, we were just glad to have everyone who was present and wished others could have been here to enjoy the service with us. God was here and blessed in a special way.

We had singing, music, shouting, talks, testimonies, and many other good things. We feasted on the goodness of God.—A sister in Christ, Luella Cooper.

Reports

Alabama City District S. S. Convention

The Alabama City district of the Church of God held its district Sunday School convention at Fosters Chapel church on Route 4, Oneonta, Ala., Aug. 8, 1937. Sister Lottie Baird, state superintendent of Sunday Schools, was in charge and gave some interesting talks on Sunday School during the day.

Service began strictly at ten o'clock, Sister Baird taking charge of the Sunday School. After Sunday School the welcome address was delivered by Brother J. B. Ellis. Brother Burroughs, our district pastor, was present and delivered a wonderful message at eleven o'clock.

Brother Auptman, pastor at Boaz, Ala. was present and in the afternoon delivered an encouraging message on the work of the young people. Sister Edith Baird, state superintendent of the Y. P. E., was present. The young people rendered a good program Sunday night after which Sister Edith gave a very encouraging talk on the work of the Y. P. E.—Roxie Bellew, Oneonta, Ala., Rt. 4.

Blessed With New Church at Lynchburg, Va.

LYNCHBURG, Va.—Praise the Lord, our God is answering prayer and Lynchburg, Va. is coming to the front. Brother G. C. Smith, our state evangelist, is conducting a revival here and the Lord is blessing. Souls are getting hungry for this good salvation and are falling at the altar seeking God. A church was set in order with seventeen members. This is the third church Brother Smith has set in order this year. Sunday morning, Aug. 15, a Sunday School was organized with about forty scholars. Good teachers and officers were elected and everyone seemed to have more zeal to work and see the church go forward. Sunday afternoon we had baptismal service. Brother Smith baptized three and there are others to be baptized later. The Lord was with us all that evening.

Sunday night Brother Smith gave a good talk on the Lord's Supper and feet washing. After that we observed the Lord's Supper. We felt the presence of the Lord and knew He was there. After the supper we washed the saints' feet and the Lord blessed us so that we sang, shouted, praised and magnified the Lord.

Brother Smith had planned to close the revival Sunday night but he just couldn't after a congregation of about two thousand voted for him to stay. Though he

and his wife were tired in body after singing, praying and preaching for about four weeks they decided to stay with us another week. We desire the prayers of the saints for our continued success.—Your sister in Christ, Mary Hudson, S. S. secretary.

Church Set in Order at Heflin, Ala.

HEFLIN, Ala.—I am made to rejoice this morning for the way God has blessed and undertaken. I praise Him because we are serving a God that hears and answers prayer. I have been praying since God wonderfully saved me and gave me the blessed Holy Ghost three years ago that He would undertake for a Church of God to be in Heflin and my prayers have been answered.

Brother Foster Dismuke, state evangelist, conducted a five weeks' revival, assisted by Brother J. A. Brown and Sister Ida McCoy. Sister Tula McCoy conducted the singing two weeks of this meeting and Sister Dismuke conducted the singing the last three weeks. Brother Dismuke did some wonderful preaching and the people of Heflin certainly have fallen for holiness. The quartet from Cleveland, Tenn. was with us one night and their singing was enjoyed so much. A church was set in order Aug. 14 with seventeen members and ten to come in by transfer. Eighteen were baptized in water. Dear saints, pray that God will put it on the hearts of people to supply our needs in building a church.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Allene Deese.

Elkins and Bayard, W. Va. Districts Convention

The Elkins and Bayard, W. Va. districts convention convened at Elkins, W. Va., June 25-27. Services opened with songs, prayer and shouts of praise. The pastor, Brother Raynor, brought the address of welcome although we were feeling welcome before the address. Brother H. D. Statum, our former district overseer, delivered a wonderful sermon.

We were very fortunate in having with us Brother Ward, a very learned and competent music teacher and leader. We also had Brother W. I. Bass and a part of his string band from Bayard. The Rexrode Happy Band rendered many songs which thrilled the souls of God's children.

Saturday morning delegates again assembled to hear two good messages delivered by Brothers A. N. Jackson and J. C. Hanks. We were sorry some of our very best speakers were hindered from attending the convention. The Lord blessed in a wonderful way but we are sure we

would have had a better time had they been present. Saturday Brother Bass brought the message. We were sorry Brother Whitlow, our state Y. P. E. superintendent, could not be with us. Brother John Bava, our district superintendent, gave a short talk which was enjoyed by all. A very inspiring message was delivered by our esteemed state overseer, Brother Clark. We certainly appreciate Brother Clark and enjoyed having him in our presence. Neither our state nor district Sunday School superintendents were present. Sister S. E. Barr, evangelist of Pine Grove, filled their places with a message. Our state overseer gave us a brief talk in interest of the camp ground after, which an offering was received. I had the privilege of attending the state convention at Beckley, W. Va. and seeing the camp ground. I think it is a beautiful and ideal camp site. Next a message was brought on "Co-operation."

Sunday afternoon one of our state senators, Hon. J. Buhl Shahan, gave a lecture on "Crime and Christianity." Another short talk was given by our state delegate, Brother A. G. Cullars, a member of the Maryland House of Delegates, and our district Sunday School superintendent gave a brief message on Sunday Schools. Everybody enjoyed these messages immensely. Sunday evening we had our Y. P. E. service. Special songs, music and talks were enjoyed by the congregation. Sister Mabel Smith, a B. T. S. student, gave a very inspiring talk. Our state overseer then delivered a message on "The Second Coming of Jesus." We enjoyed this message and it stirred our souls. God help us to stay on our faces in prayer and be consecrated before thee.

We are sure the convention has been a great spiritual uplift to all who attended. Pray that souls might be saved at this place and that we will go over the top for Jesus. Praise His dear name.—Miss Virginia Henning, clerk of convention.

Lord Blessing in Y. P. E.

TARBORO, N. C.—I praise the Lord for our Y. P. E. here. God has been so good to us and has encouraged us to keep traveling on. July 25 Brother Marvin Little was here. He spoke some encouraging words to everyone. We had a fine Y. P. E. program Sunday night, then we planned to meet again the following Tuesday night. We met and God wonderfully blessed. There were two who sought Christ. There was another meeting Thursday night and four sought Christ. It seems that a revival spirit has broken out among the young people here. So come on saints, help us with your prayers, we need your help.—A sister in Christ, Mary Alice Harris.

Obituaries

PRINCE

Aug. 25, 1937 little Doretha Prince passed away to be with Jesus. She was two years and eight months of age. The funeral was conducted at the Church of God by the writer, assisted by Brother Wade Horton, and her body was laid to rest in the Evergreen cemetery at Chester, S. C.—J. C. Green, pastor.

NASH

Nancy C. Nash departed this life Aug. 22, 1937 at the age of seventy-two years. She was a faithful member of the Church of God and trusted God to the last. She was better known to the church as Aunt Nash. Pray that I'll be as faithful to God as she was.—Her daughter, Amanda Fuller, Dunn, La.

HANDCOCK

Little Alice Ray Handcock died Aug. 5, 1937 at the age of twelve years. The funeral service was conducted by Brother Fount Sharp.—A sister in Christ, Mollie Brewer, Mize, Miss.

New Sunday School Shows Interest

NEAFUS, Ky.—The Church of God Sunday School at Neafus, Ky. is doing well. Our superintendent, Brother Omer Landes, and secretary, Sister Thelma Landes, of Indianapolis, Ind., are with us. This is the first time they have been with us since last year when they started the Sunday School. Our school was one year old Sept. 5. Everyone pays good attention and we have good order. We want all to pray for our little Sunday School.—Your brother in Christ, Beckham Jones.

Much Good Accomplished in the Northwest

BEULAH, N. Dak.—Dear saints, we just want to tell you how much we enjoyed having Brother L. G. Rouse with us while he was in my district, which includes five churches. Brother Rouse arrived at Halliday, N. Dak. about 8:00 p. m., July 27, and preached there to a crowded house. Many were blessed and two testified to being healed.

From there we took him to Zap where we held three nights' service. There are no words that will explain the good that was done there. Thank the Lord.

We then moved on to Ree church and held two services with many getting healed and three seeking salvation.

From Ree we went to Beulah and held

one night's service. We took over the Assembly of God work there that night with ten joining the Church of God and eight more to come in yet. Praise God.

No one will be able to tell in words the good that was done in North Dakota by Brother Rouse, but I am sure that God will repay him for having obeyed Him in coming up here. When Brother Rouse left we gave him an invitation to come back to North Dakota next spring and stay all summer. If we could have Brother Rouse here for a whole summer I believe we would have one of the leading states for the Church of God.—Your brother in Christ, J. Andrew Rafferty.

Revival a Blessing to Churches

On July 5 I arrived at Sunny South church. Brother Hartline is pastor. I was nicely cared for in the home of Brother J. L. Johnson for two weeks. From there I went to Nicholville, Ala., another church on Brother Hartline's district, where Brother Bozone is pastor. I spent one week here. Brother Bozone is a good pastor and has a fine family. In those meetings there were eleven saved, eleven sanctified, seven filled with the Holy Ghost, three baptized in water and others to be baptized later, eleven added to the church and the churches were greatly built up. The meeting closed with fourteen in the altar. There are fine people at these churches. I would like to be with them until Jesus comes.—Z. D. Simpson, Carbon Hill, Ala.

McRae, Ga. Dist. Convention

The McRae district convention which convened at the Church of God at Livingston's Chapel, July 23-25 is in the past but the great blessings we received still linger with us. The service was rained out Friday night.

Brother Jernigan, our state overseer, preached Saturday night. His sermon was enjoyed by all present. Brother McCoy, our state S. S. and Y. P. E. superintendent, was there, with his pleasant smile, to lead the singing.

Sunday was a great day. The singing and music was good. An offering was taken for our state overseer, then he delivered a wonderful message, which, I think, set some to thinking and was great encouragement. After this an offering was taken for missions amounting to \$17.69, if I make no mistake, for which we praise God. As this district is among the smaller districts of Georgia this shows the willingness of the people to help those in foreign fields to hear the glad tidings of Jesus.

Dinner was then spread and we enjoyed the feast for our temporal bodies. In the afternoon we met again. God's

sweet presence was greatly felt. Brother McCoy brought us a message and words cannot express how wonderful it was. It was enjoyed by all and helped us to be determined to fight the battle for Jesus and be overcomers by His help. Then Brother Clayton Towns led a testimony service which was wonderful. During the testimony service we had two healing services in which God always blesses. Praise His name. After this Brother McCoy gave a talk on Sunday School and Y. P. E. and organized a Y. P. E. and we trust that this will be the means of many getting salvation.

Brother Will Livingston is overseer of this district and seemed to be well pleased with the convention. Please pray for us and the Y. P. E. there.—A sister in Christ, Miss Faye Powell, Rt. 3, Milan, Ga.

Praise God for His Marvelous Goodness

Dear saints and young folks everywhere, it is now about 3:00 a. m. Sunday, Aug. 15, and I have not been able to get a wink of sleep for praising God for His marvelous goodness.

Three weeks ago we began special street services at Howell, Mich., after which we held a meeting in the Woodmen's Hall. At first the expense was so great I was afraid we could not make it but last night God wonderfully undertook. Oh, I forgot to say we (I mean the young people of the Detroit district, with the aid of a few of the older saints.) However, last night God crowned our efforts with victory. We received a splendid offering which will take care of our needs very nicely and in addition an invitation to have prayer meetings in private homes of some of the residents of this city. There is no church here, so pray hard for the Lord to have His way in opening a Church of God lighthouse so that souls can be saved.

I have visited the mayors of three cities in southeastern Michigan and have gained permission to hold street meetings and even get the city park to have services in. I also have great hopes of getting a nice picnic park and camp ground at Utica, Mich. for a Y. P. E. revival. This will require lots of prayer and a little money so pray that God will provide it somehow.

I am in a revival every night but Saturday and that's my rest night. It is very hard on my voice and I am praying for the Lord to supply me with a Public Address System for sale, please contact me at once. Pray for the Y. P. E. of Michigan and Ontario.—Archie F. McWilliams, state and provincial Y. P. E. superintendent, 6717 Forrer, Detroit, Mich.

REVIVALS

HIGH SHOALS, N. C.—We just closed a wonderful revival conducted by Brother Max L. Atkins and his wife. About thirty-three were blessed, twenty-six saved, six sanctified, two filled with the Holy Ghost, six added to the church, and five baptized in water.—Ernest V. Arrowood, clerk.

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CROPWELL, Ala.—Our revival began Aug. 1 and closed Aug. 15 with Brothers J. L. and W. W. Ball of Georgia in charge. Three were saved, five sanctified, three filled with the Holy Ghost. All the saints were revived and feel like going on. Many are looking this way. Pray for this place.—Leola Lee, clerk.

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PACOLET MILLS, S. C.—I praise the Lord for saving, sanctifying and healing me. I praise Him for the church that Brother S. C. Chambers set in order July 24, 1937 with thirteen members. Since Brother Colie Edwards took the church over to pastor he conducted a three weeks' meeting in which sixteen were saved, six sanctified, nine filled with the Holy Ghost, seven added to the church and six are to be baptized in water. Brother J. D. Anderson, president of the Pacolet Mills, has given us the lot to build the church on and we praise the Lord for that. Pray that the Lord will still bless in the church work and that lost souls will still be saved. The church is well pleased with our pastor and we are hoping to get him back another year.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Annie Bell Brinkley.

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EUPORA, Miss.—We surely thank the Lord for the good meeting we had which started Aug. 1. Brother and Sister A. J. Gardner of Hattiesburg were in charge. Three received the Holy Ghost and several were saved and sanctified. The meeting was a great blessing to all. We surely appreciate Brother Gardner's efforts. We also appreciate our pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister Taylor.—A sister in Christ, Nellie Cooper.

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LUDVILLE, Ga.—We have just closed a revival at our church which was wonderful, uplifting and a blessing to the members. The old tabernacle was full almost every night. Brother Don Tatum, our pastor, surely was at his best in giving out the Word. The power of the Lord would fall and the saints were made to rejoice. Conviction seized hearts, the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle. People fell in the altar and prayed

through to victory during the three weeks. There were twenty-three saved, several sanctified, and sixteen filled with the Holy Ghost, for which we praise God. Eight were added to the church and eight baptized in water. We also took the Lord's Supper and washed the saints feet. The Lord blessed in a marvelous way. We appreciate Brother Charlie Sullivan and wife, Brother Eulis Young and Brother John Williams who rendered good help in the services. The saints all seemed to be at their best and God surely did bless every effort. Praise the Lord.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. J. D. Hudson, clerk, Rt. 2, Jasper, Ga.

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NORTH TAZEVELL, Va.—We have just closed a three weeks' revival at Dunford Town, Va. conducted by Brother B. G. Asher and Brother McMellan of Brodhead, Ky. We praise the Lord for the way He blessed. Two were saved, one sanctified, one filled with the Holy Ghost, one reclaimed. All the saints were helped in this meeting. We thank Brother Gary and the Hartwell people for their music and the way they helped in the meeting.—A sister in Christ, Hazel Hagy.

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CULBERSON, N. C.—A revival closed at the Church of God at Culberson July 31 with the Lord's Supper and feet washing. The revival ran two weeks. Brother Robert Bell, the pastor, was in charge. The church was greatly revived. One was reclaimed, one sanctified. We appreciated the help of the saints from Copperhill, Tenn. Pray for our Y. P. E. and Sunday School.—Mrs. Ella Jenkins, clerk.

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MADISONVILLE, Tenn.—We have just closed a two and one-half weeks' meeting at Hiwassee Church of God with Brother Jones of Jefferson City, Tenn. doing the preaching. While on his way here they had an auto wreck and his wife got hurt very badly, but the Lord touched her body and in spite of all the Lord gave us a great revival. Seven were saved, eight filled with the Holy Ghost, three added to the church. On the Sunday night following the close of the meeting on Wednesday we had the Lord's Supper and feet washing. On one Monday night the Lord blessed in a wonderful way, the preacher didn't get to preach. The power came down and souls fell into the altar crying for mercy. We ask the prayers of the saints that the spirit of this revival will continue.—Yours for His Church, W. A. Walker, pastor.

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COPPERHILL, Tenn.—We have just closed a successful revival at Copperhill with three filled with the Holy Ghost and a number saved and sanctified. The

church was greatly blessed. Sister Metcalf and the writer did the preaching. Pray for us.—Robert Bell, pastor.

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EPPS, La.—We have just closed a successful revival at Epps, La. Church of God with four saved, three sanctified and three filled with the Holy Ghost. We observed the Lord's Supper and feet washing Aug. 22. The Lord was present in the services to heal and did heal many. Brother Webb, our pastor, is a man of God. He is doing a good work at Epps church this year and is still gaining new friends and we feel assured that God will reward this good soldier of the cross and his good, faithful wife a crown. God give us more men who hold to the old tenets of religion.—Yours for Christ, Homer C. Smith, state evangelist, Rayville, La.

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CLYDE, N. C.—We closed a successful revival in which many were blessed. Ten were saved, six sanctified, one baptized with the Holy Ghost and one added to the Church. The saints were blessed and built up in the faith. We left Clyde with much interest being manifested by those who are hungry for salvation. May the Lord bless them.

We went to meet our next appointment with the church at Scaly, N. C. Here we found Brother Miller and his good little flock of saints. We entered right into the service and the Lord was there in great power to bless. We had a great time the first service. Much interest is being manifested among the sinners. I ask the Evangel family to pray that we will have a great revival here. The crowds are coming, rain or shine, and interest is growing. Pray for us.—Yours in His service, Evangelist G. L. Jones.

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DOUBLE SPRINGS, Ala.—On Aug. 1 we started a battle against the enemy, Brother Pearson in charge. Many confessed they had been pardoned of their sins, six received the cleansing blood, three received the evidence of the Holy Ghost, eight followed the Lord in water baptism. The presence of the Lord was with us throughout this meeting. At the close of this revival Brother W. G. Pearson, our district pastor, set a church in order with thirteen members, five new and eight transferred. Please pray for the work at this place. The name of this new church is Sipsey Bend, located south of the national forest near the CCC highway.—Your brother, Avis L. Hasford, Rt. 1.

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SUCHES, Ga.—We thank God for the way He blessed here in a two weeks' meeting which our pastor, M. F. Phillips, and Brother Thad Pucket of Car-

rollton, Ga. were in charge of. Brother Puckett did most of the preaching. Two received the Holy Ghost, seven were saved, twelve reclaimed, three added to the church, and four baptized in water. On Sunday night we took the Lord's Supper and washed the saints' feet. Please pray for us here, this is a hard place. We have a good Sunday School. Pray that it may grow and prosper. Please pray a special prayer for us.—Your sister in Christ, Alice Harkins.

PINE HILL, Ala.—We praise the Lord for the revival at the Sunny South Church of God. The revival started July 4 with Brother Z. D. Simpson doing the preaching. Five received the Holy Ghost, five were reclaimed, three sanctified, three baptized. God wonderfully blessed from start to finish. Pray for our little church at Sunny South, Ala. — Your brother in Christ, G. W. Maness.

CUMBERLAND, Ky.—A two weeks' meeting conducted by our state overseer, Brother T. M. McClendon, was closed Aug. 8. There were some saved, some filled with the Holy Ghost and a very deep interest was shown during the meeting. We can easily say the messages brought by Brother McClendon surely were among the best that ever came to Cumberland, Ky. and we thank God for them. We have heard many compliments from the business leaders of the town. We ask the prayers of the Evangel readers.—Yours in Christ, J. M. Coats.

NEWPORT, Tenn.—We just closed a revival August 22 at McCowans Creek with the Lord's Supper and feet washing. Brother Clayton White was in charge. One was sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and some were in the altar and sinners under conviction. The saints were revived and shouting the victory. God was with us and His won-

derful power manifested. We have a good Y. P. E. here. The boys and girls are always ready to respond when they are called on. We have several who make music for us and it is surely good. Our little children take part and do their best. Our Y. P. E. is moving on. Pray for us at McCowans Creek.—Sister Charlise Calfee.

CASTLEBERRY, Ala.—Dear readers, our revival has just closed here. We thank God for the revival, it was good to our souls. This revival was conducted by our beloved Bishop W. L. Ford. Elder C. M. Wilson and his wife and children were with us. Elder Wilson and his wife are ministers for Christ. This revival was a renewing to our souls. Souls were wonderfully blessed. Rain from the heavenly Father fell in our midst.—One who loves the Lord, Rose B. Marshall (colored).

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CHURCH OF GOD STATE HEADQUARTERS IN IOWA



This is the Full Gospel Tabernacle of Jefferson, Iowa, which was recently taken over for the Church of God and a church set in order with fifty-six members. It is located in a very beautiful little city, two blocks from the courthouse square, on the Lincoln Highway, which is a coast to coast route, and will be used for Iowa state headquarters.—J. L. Goins, state overseer.

Requests

Please pray for us as we are in need of a church to worship in this winter. We love our faithful pastor and his family. Please pray earnestly that means will be provided for a church building. We already have the land. Also pray for my son, Roy Marlin, who got hurt in a car wreck over ten years ago. We fear he has an abscess forming on one of his kidneys. Pray that God will bring all my loved ones into this holy way.—Mrs. A. M. Marlin, Cave City, Ark.

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Sister Florence Kinsley, a former missionary to Africa, started a revival at Mallory, W. Va. on August 29. Large crowds are attending and we are having good services. We desire your prayers that this will be the greatest revival that has ever been in Mallory. We invite all ministers and churches nearby to visit us.—Bunn E. Hicks, pastor.

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I ask every child of God to pray that God will heal my wife, her health is bad. She fell and hurt her side and arm. God knows our hearts and knows that we want to serve Him and be ready when He comes. Pray that we will stand true till Jesus comes.—H. S. Richards, Rt. 1, Kennesaw, Ga.

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I have an unspoken request, will you please help me pray for it? I am a strong believer in prayer. Pray for the Ephrata church.—A sister in Christ, Anna R. Lutz, Ephrata, Pa.

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Pray for a certain preacher who made a mistake and needs prayer. Pray that he may stay humble and at the foot of the cross. Pray for a man who has just returned from the state hospital, that God will restore him spiritually and physically, also pray for his entire family. Remember an unspoken request. Pray that God's will might be done in all of them.—Bertha Hugendubler, 1346 Derry Rd., Palmyra, Pa.

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I have a sister in serious trouble. I want you to pray for her. I'm afraid she is losing her mind, so please take this to heart and pray. Also pray for me to stand true.—A sister in Christ, Bristol, Tenn.

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Please pray for our revival at Hillside. I feel like we need your prayers more than ever before.—Daisy Mack, Collins, Ga.

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Please pray for God to move a place that is growing on our little nine-year-

old girl's face. It looks like it might be a cancer. Pray for the revival which started here at our church in Williston last Sunday night that many souls will be saved. Pray that our pastor and his wife will be blessed with health and pray for me and my family to do more for the Lord and be ready at His call.—B. V. McIntyre, Williston, Fla.

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Please have a special prayer for my daughter, Elizabeth, who is in the hospital at Lumberton, N. C. Pray that the Lord will spare her as she has some little babies who need her badly. Pray for my family to be ready when Jesus comes.—Mrs. Janie Herring, Fairmont, N. C.

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Pray a special prayer for my husband. He has been real sick for several days. Also pray that we may have more faith.—Mrs. John E. Knouff, Town Creek, Ala.

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Please pray for a revival which is going on now. We need all the help we can get.—M. A. Shubird, Lewis Chapel, Tenn.

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My body is afflicted and I want you to pray that the Lord will heal me if it is His will. Pray that I will have more faith and a closer walk with Him. Also pray for a revival which started Sept. 4 on Sunflower Plantation that many souls will accept God. All nearby saints are invited to come over and help us out.—Calvin Patrick, Rt. 1, Box 65, Merigold, Miss.

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Dear saints, I am not a member but a great believer. I know God can heal so please pray a special prayer for my boy. He is in the state hospital at Benton, Ark. Pray that God will heal him and send him home to me, he is my only son. Pray that God will save his soul.—One who wants on the whole armor of God, J. A. McHood, 159 N. 2nd St., West Helena, Ark.

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Please pray for my husband and me as we need your prayers. Pray that my husband will receive the Holy Ghost. There is no Church of God near here so it is a hard pull for us. Pray that God will make a way for us to go to church. If there is anyone who feels led to come here for a revival, we would be glad to have you come. I would be glad to receive a word of cheer from my friends. They will know me by the name of Thelma Lee Jones. Don't forget to pray for us.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Daniel R. Marrs, Rt. 2, Box 106, Weatherford, Tex.

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Please pray for the healing of my body and that I will get just like Jesus wants me to be.—Your brother, G. L. Tillman,

Surrency, Ga.

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Please pray a special prayer for me that I will get real victory to go ahead and work for Him, as I am sure He has called me to do a work that I have never done. I have failed and am weak and want you to pray earnestly for me, for the Lord to deliver me and help me and give me real victory to overcome. I want to go to the Assembly as I feel I can get real victory and power there for service. Please pray for me.—M. A. Tate, Lester, W. Va.

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Pray a special prayer for us at Vero Beach. We are in the midst of a revival with Brother and Sister Carl White doing the preaching. Please pray till you reach the throne of grace in our behalf. Also pray that I will receive the Holy Ghost.—J. A. Davenport, clerk, Vero Beach, Fla.

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Please pray for two unspoken requests that are very urgent.—Mrs. Ella Jackson, Somerset, Ky.

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Dear saints, I request special prayer for a sister at Nyota, Ala. who is in bad health. She also requests prayer that her people will see the light on holiness and the Church of God.—Martin Weems, Trafford, Ala.

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Please pray for me. I am afflicted in body and unless God undertakes for me I am going to have to go to the hospital. I don't want to go. Please hold on to God for me until victory comes. If God lays it on your heart to fast for me, please obey Him. And if you feel led to send me an anointed handkerchief, it will be greatly appreciated. Pray for my home and ask God to make it a home of prayer.—Your sister in Christ, Gertrude Coster, Blacksburg, S. C.

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Dear saints, we are trying to get a church built here. Pray that God will help us. Our pastor, Brother A. N. Jackson, is working hard. We thank God for him. Pray for my two daughters that God will convict them and they will be saved, also that my husband and I will be humble and live closer to God.—Alice Vance, St. George, W. Va.

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Dear saints, I thank God for the way He is blessing at Haylow and Pineland. My husband, Sister Smith and daughter, Lola Mae, are running a revival at Pineland. Please pray for God to bless more. Pray for me and my family. Pray for my unsaved children.—A sister, Mrs. E. C. Dedge, Haylow, Ga.

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Please pray for a friend who has inward cancers. The doctors say there is

no chance for her to get well. She once had salvation, so please pray for God to save her soul and heal her body.—Mrs. B. E. Chesser, Chiefland, Fla.

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Dear saints, I have a request. There is a dear old lady who has a grandson in prison at Atmore, Ala. She said he was serving time which he was clear of and she believes if it is taken to God in prayer he will be freed and come home. He is her support and she needs him.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. G. G. Marcus, Demorest, Ga.

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I need your prayers so much that God will strengthen my faith and give me grace to overcome. I am in such bad health and have no help in my home, it seems. Please pray that my faith will be stronger. Pray that the Lord will heal my body, I am so weak in faith, I have the Holy Ghost. I also have a special request for prayer for a sister-in-law who I think has a cancer. She is in a bad condition and it seems the doctors can do her no good.—Mrs. B. A. Meeks, Carrollton, Ga.

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Dear saints, I have an unspoken request. Pray that I will go through with the Lord. I have the Holy Ghost. Also pray for a friend to get healed.—Sister Caroline Ross, East New Market, Md.

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Please pray that I might receive the Holy Ghost and that my body might be healed of something like eczema, which I am suffering untold agony with. Pray for my two grandchildren to be healed.—Sincerely yours, Mary Downing, Rt. 3, Box 175, Blytheville, Ark.

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Please pray that God will save my husband before it is too late. If it is God's will for me to suffer this way, ask God to give me strength to be able to make it through. It may take my life to save my husband but I do want to see him make peace and then I will be ready to go.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Lizzie Harlin, Carrollton, Ga.

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Please pray for the healing of my body. I also have an unspoken request. If there are any Church of God members living near here I would like to hear from you. I would also like to know where the nearest Church of God is.—Mrs. Henry C. Smith, Gassaway, W. Va.

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Please pray for my sister, Mrs. Agnes Matlock. She has been afflicted over a year and the doctors say she can't get well but we know the Lord can heal. She has heart dropsy in the worst form. We

want each pastor of the Church of God to have a special prayer among the saints.—Your brother in Christ, Orlen South, Vandalia, Ark.

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I am in a weak, rundown condition and have kidney trouble. Pray for my healing. Also pray for the work here, it is a new work.—Virginia Downing, 121 N. 5th, Anadarko, Okla.

REVIVALS

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ALCOA, Tenn.—The Church of God at Alcoa, Tenn. is glad to report a good revival here. We had a string band with us, also special singing, but most of all the presence of God was with us every service and the altar was full every night. Around twenty-five prayed through and eight were added to the church. Brother D. A. Biggs did the preaching. Pray for us.—G. W. Hodges, pastor.

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EAST BANK, W. Va.—We have just closed a meeting at Crown Hill, W. Va. in which four were saved, one sanctified. There was so much conviction. The altar was full at times. Pray that the good seed sown will take root and grow. We are at East Bank now, having large crowds every night. We are expecting a good meeting. The Lord has met with us every night. We would like for everyone in this locality to come and help us. If there is a time we ever needed help it is now. There will be an all-day meeting sometime in the future.—Yours in Him, Don Staten.

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MINOT, N. Dak.—We have just closed a three weeks' meeting conducted by Brother D. C. Boatwright, state overseer of South Dakota and Wyoming. Several were saved and the Christians were encouraged to press on for the Lord. We feel the revival is still going on as two were saved last Sunday night. Praise God. Brother Boatwright preached some wonderful sermons under the mighty anointing of the Holy Ghost. Our church is moving on for God and we ask an interest in your prayers that many more will be saved.—Y. P. E. President.

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WINNSBORO, Tex.—We are made to rejoice for our summer revival which began July 16 and closed Aug. 1. Brother J. F. Brown of Wichita Falls did the preaching. God surely did bless. Thirty were saved, twenty-one sanctified, twenty-three baptized with the Holy Ghost, nineteen baptized in water, and nineteen added to the church. We thank the Lord for what He did for us. We had dinner on the ground Sunday, then in the after-

noon we had a baptismal service. The last day we had all-day service in which the Lord surely blessed. That night we had the Lord's Supper and feet washing. Sister Stella Hargrave is taking care of our church. She surely tries to keep the flock together. We are working and praying that God will make it possible for us to build a parsonage this fall. We now have a membership of thirty-seven here at Pine Grove. Pray for us that we will always be humble before God and be found at our post of duty.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Geo. T. Ray, clerk.

CLEVELAND, Tenn.—We are glad for the rich blessings of the Lord in Cleveland. We have been enjoying our pastor's good stirring messages and have been awakened to the great need of close, straight living and felt the call to absolute consecration to the service and will of God.

For the first three quarters of this year our average attendance in Sunday School was 345. We are still having good Sunday School.

We are especially thankful for the gracious three weeks' revival which has just closed, in which seventeen were saved, eleven sanctified, and sixteen filled with the Holy Ghost. Twenty-two were baptized in water and ten added to the church. Nothing satisfies the human heart like the blessed power of God. Thank God for the divine presence of the Holy Ghost in our meetings. Remember us in prayer.—One who wants to be faithful in every detail to the very end of the way, Mildred Blackwell.

Blessed of the Lord

I praise God for the healing of my body and the saving of my soul. On May 2 Brother Watson of Bartow, Fla., Brother Walter Cook, pastor of our church, and the other saints of the church came by to pray for my sister who had badly injured her head by pulling a gutter down from the side of a house on her. While they were praying for her they prayed for me as I had been down with dropsy for nine months and had not walked a step and couldn't walk. They anointed and prayed for me and I walked a little that night and have been walking some ever since. I am still seeking God for the baptism of the Holy Ghost.—Miss Louise Brown, Vernon, Fla.

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Lord, Teach Us To Pray

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I don't mean that we'll be able to shout all the time for I do choose the loads along with the strength. I wouldn't be loosed from the weight of souls and the interest in my brothers and sisters for anything I can think of. But to you who become perplexed and in distress, do not give up in prayer till God kisses everything away with His presence, and renews your strength. There is no specified length of time in the Word to pray a prayer on this order, but I read in the Word where Jesus prayed all night, arose a great while before day to pray, also offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears. Heb. 5:7, 8. Is your faith stronger than Christ's faith that you are able to pray as you go about your work and not help carry the load for souls which He carried? If all of us pray as we go about our work when does the Spirit pray and pray with the understanding also? When do you sing in the Spirit and in the understanding also? I Cor. 14:15. If we have enough faith to never stop and tarry before God, when does the Spirit help our infirmities, making intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered? Rom. 8:26.

I believe there are enough subjects to pray about to observe all kinds of prayers mentioned in the Word of God. The prophets of old were praying men, were praying when God revealed to them the things that are happening in these last days. Daniel prayed and fasted twenty-one days on one occasion. His prayer was hindered but he held on till God answered. We should not quit praying when we get through talking to God, but wait for Him to talk to us. If every Christian would do this and obey the voice of God, then we would be divinely led. God would have His Church without spot or wrinkle and Jesus could usher in His coming. "The most important part of prayer," said George Mueller, "is the last ten minutes after prayer. Listen for God's answer." Another quotation, "There are two spirits of prayer: one that prays to get what it wants; the other to know what God wants it to get."

This reminds me of a certain minister who told his wife to pack his suit case while he went upstairs to pray about going to a certain place. How it should be the cry of every minister's heart, especially at this time of the year, "I'll go where you want me to go, dear Lord!" If you'll pray this way and let God direct, don't doubt but what God and the overseers can work together. So many ask, "How can we know when God answers?" Tell me how Cornelius knew to send for Simon Peter to come to his

house. Cornelius prayed till he got a vision of what he needed, then God was working at the other end of the route. Peter also prayed till God made known to him what to do in obeying the call. God does the same today for those who wait upon Him. God is still alive and still speaks. Praise the Lord! and He never speaks contrary to the Word of God.

We should be as persistent in prayer for the things we need as the men were who brought the man sick of palsy to Jesus to be healed. If you can't reach the door, near the ground where the crowds are, just continue to pray until you get upon the roof away from the crowds. Pray till you soar above opposition. You'll have no trouble getting to Jesus then. Read Mark 2:1-5. Oh, glory! Peter was on the housetop when he had his vision to go to the people of other nations. Another time a certain woman who needed healing came up behind the press (crowd of people) but this did not discourage her. She was determined to touch the hem of Jesus' garment and she did so and was healed. Mark 5:25-34. O saints, why do we cease praying before we get the answer we need? God help us to pray and teach us how to pray that we might live in God's divine will.

This is the time of year for all God's children to pray. The time of the Assembly is near when many changes will be made in the ministry. How we should pray for God to have His way, not ours, in the changes or reappointment or selection of officers from the General Overseer down to the local pastors and evangelists. God knows right where each minister can do the most for His cause. We may not see it as God does but let us pray for God to send each state the overseer who can do the most for God. Personally, I am well pleased but I want God to first be pleased. Churches could have their prayer meetings for things like this as well as for Peter when he was in prison. Prayer was made without ceasing unto God for him. Why not pray for your pastor like that? Why not pray for Sunday School and Y. P. E. officers like that? I have seen bands of saints so directed by the Holy Ghost that even if others were nominated for the sake of parliamentary law, the ones God wanted put in office would receive their votes by the wholesale while the other received only the votes of the nominator and of the ones who favored the nomination. Prayer brings this about without having to depend on our own ideas. Saints, let us be much in prayer. Think of the responsibility of our bishops. They watch for our souls as they must give an account.

Spurgeon said, "Prayer pulls the rope below and the great bell rings in the heart of God. Some scarcely stir the bell

for they pray so languidly. Others give but an occasional pluck at the rope. But he who wins with heaven is the man who grasps the rope boldly and pulls continuously with all his might." Lord, teach us to pray.

Rejoicing in the Lord

MOBILE, Ala.—Oh, how we do appreciate Brother G. C. Dunn, state overseer, in the Mobile district. Please pray for us in the city of Mobile. God has given us such a wonderful evangelist, Sister A. S. McCue. Sister McCue started a revival for us two weeks ago and Sunday some were added to the Church of God at this place. Sister McCue comes to us from the Assembly of God. Her co-worker and helper, Brother Milton Hayes, is doing the preaching this week. What a power for God is our beloved Brother Hayes. How we did feast at God's table while our beloved overseer was with us in our district meeting. Brother Dunn gave one of the most powerful sermons on "The Church or Gentile Age" I've ever been privileged to hear. We are now in our mission. Please, dear readers, remember us in your prayers. We are also rejoicing over Brother Lyman Walter, another Assembly minister who was added to the Church of God at Crichton, Ala. Brother Walters is a wonderful teacher of God's Word and we appreciate him in our midst.

Brother Hartline of Pine Hill, Ala., is our new district overseer. He did us lots of good in the churches here with his wonderful faith. Please pray for us.—Yours in His vineyard, Sister V. M. Davenport, clerk, 158 St. Louis St.

Service a Blessing

POWDERLY, Ala. — The Powderly Church of God conducted their singing, which has been held at the church, at the Municipal Auditorium in Birmingham. The crowd has been so large that the church could not accommodate them, so Brother and Sister Johnson rented the auditorium. Brother Johnson, our pastor, conducted the service. All the neighboring churches were invited. Many denominations were present. Singers from different parts of the state were present also. Brother J. B. Ellis brought the message which stirred many hearts and numbers were in the altar seeking the Lord. Some were saved, some sanctified and some filled with the Holy Ghost. Thank the Lord, I have never been in a service where there was any more love and unity. The auditorium was almost filled. Pray for us that God will save souls, sanctify and fill with the Holy Ghost in these services.—Sister Polly Cowart.

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We appreciate the efforts put forth by those who are interested in the Evangel and we feel that the Lord will reward you. We had hoped to double the subscription list this year but it seems hard to do as there are subscriptions expiring all along and these are thrown out by the addressing machine. Have you been working for the Evangel this year?

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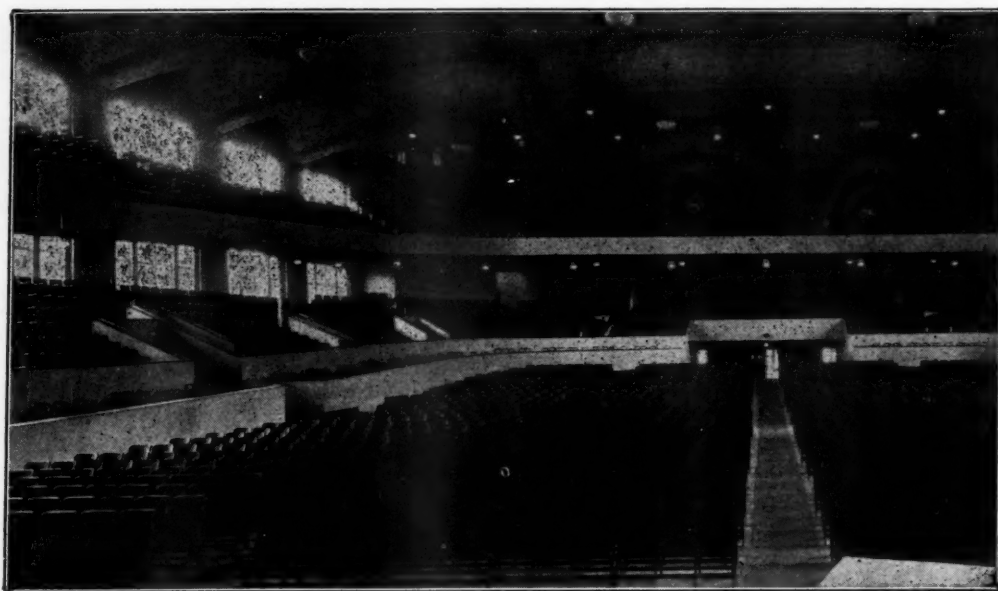
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